

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

Applicant: Masahiro Endo et al.  
Appl. No.: 10/535,034  
Conf. No.: 3565  
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Title: DIALYSIS CATHETER SET AND METHOD OF USING SAME  
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Examiner: Catherine Witczak  
Docket No.: SMDI-5966 (112713-1362)

Commissioner for Patents  
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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT  
APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

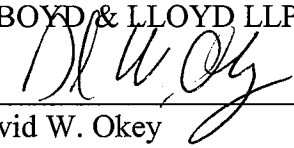
Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the last decision of the examiner dated June 17, 2008 rejecting Claims 1-11, 13-30 and 45.

The fee for this Notice of Appeal is \$540.00. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-1818.

Respectfully submitted,

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